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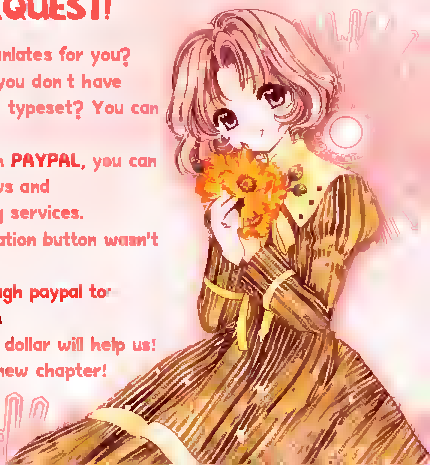

PHOENIX SERENADE IS RECRUITING!
YOU STILL HAVEN'T RELEASED THE NEW CHAPTER?!
WHAT? NO WAY!
...
MY BISHIES! MY CUTE HEROINES! THEY'RE LEAVING ME!
NOO!!
DON'T LEAVE ME! COME BACK!!!!!
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BOUKYAKU NO SHIRUSHI TO HIME

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CHAPTER 2

The story takes place in a peaceful country ruled by a king with strong magic powers.
YOUR HIGHNESS, EVERY THING IS READY.
Age 160 years
I'M GOING
turn
After attending 1662 blind dates the king...
.....
far far away...
Um...
Pendob.
Am I really laughing properly?
Yes!
PERFECTLY!
ALL RIGHT!
Your Highness!!
Tap tap

Lonely...
the finally accepted as queen the 15 year old princess Lilia.
Disappointed...
Have a safe trip...
I don't want you to go...
Such a story.
I'm sorry your Highness,
I wanted to send you off with a smile!!
leaving aside the age difference, is...
LILIA.
PRINCESS LILIA.. YOUR FEELINGS ARE BEING SHOWN!
.....
EHH? REALLY?
Even though I practiced!!
turns around

SHOCK!
gives
...not such a common story.
The 'Headless King' everybody feared...
Are you giving your head to me?
nod
This way, I shall always be by your side
Your Highness!
sparkle
sparkle
But the princess

hug
Have a safe trip!
SOMEONE DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM...
about that idiotic couple...
I will take really good care of it!
THE SIGHT OF THE PRINCESS HOLDING A FRESHLY SEVERED HEAD IS TRULY FRIGHTENING
She loved the King immensely.
And thus,
the King without a head departed on a 10 day trip.
The King has a really busy job..
And the princess, left alone would always have a sorrowful face.

PRINCESS LILIA,
HIS HIGHNESS HAS AMONGST ALL THE KINGS THE MOST STRESSFUL JOB.
Princess study today's lessons
The most stressful?
YES,
YOU RECALL THE KING HAS SENT AWAY ALL OF HIS RELATIVES?
Garnet
THAT IS WHY WE WANTED HIS HIGHNESS TO HAVE CHILDREN SOON AND REDUCE HIS OFFICIAL BUSINESS BUT...
touched
EVEN HIS RELATIVES, FROM AFAR WHO HAVE AUTHORITY THROUGHOUT THE REGION WERE NO EXCEPTION
HIS HIGHNESS CAST AWAY EVERYONE HE DIDN'T TRUST GOVERNING THE COUNTRY ALL BY HIMSELF.
HE WOULDN'T GET MARRIED...
Pendot
Today it is the teacher style!
Aquamarine

PRINCESS LILIA,
LET'S HAVE A BREAK FOR SNACKS!
TODAY WE HAVE THE SPECIAL KUARNIAN!
WE HAVE ALSO BAKED THE FEIJOA PIE!
But, he died in the war...
SHOCK
Landmine!
Yes, he was a hard-working man.
My Father?
His Highness is especially busy.
Then I guess I have to give birth to at least 10 children.
Is that so.
We were the ones who arranged his over 3000 blind dates.
HOW MANY TIMES HE ANGRILY REFUSED.
I don't like that woman
HE is the king of Tritia, right?
WHAT ABOUT YOUR FATHER, PRINCESS LILIA?

Hehe!
It's okay, don't worry.
But, thank you.
Next is the music lesson
bang
...SHE'S A GOOD CHILD
I'm coming
↑ special lecturer
REALLY, SHE IS TOO GOOD FOR HIS HIGHNESS
COMING FROM SUCH A FARAWAY COUNTRY WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING THE CIRCUM-STANCES AND GETTING MARRIED ON HER OWN...
SUCH A SCARY THING...

SHE IS DOING HER BEST IN A COUNTRY,
WHICH HAS SUCH DIFFERENT A LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
SHE IS ENVIED FOR BEING THE KING'S WIFE AND FOR HER SURROUNDINGS,
BUT IF IT WERE ME, I WOULDN'T RESIST SUCH PRESSURE
THE ONLY RELIEVE
IS THAT PRINCESS LILIA IS IN LOVE WITH HIS HIGHNESS...
YET THAT THING HER HEART RELIES ON IS NOT AT HER SIDE...

SUCH A NOSTALGIC FRAGRANCE...
This country surely has an abundant harvest.
sigh
THE FRAGRANCE OF THE EARTH.
breathes in...
IT REMINDS ME OF MY FAR FARAWAY HOME...
LILIA.
tap
tap
tap
tap
Father!
tap
tap
King of Tritia
Lilia, 9 years old

Then I am that peasant's daughter.
NOW I AM JUST A PEASANT.
Pfft
YOU ARE WEARING THAT OUTFIT AGAIN
lift up
But Father too. You are the king yet you wear peasant clothes.
MOTHER WILL SCOLD YOU AGAIN. "A PRINCESS IN PEASANT CLOTHES" SHE'LL SAY.
THE CASTLE'S GARDEN WAS THEN FILLED WITH FIELDS DUE TO THE COUNTRY'S FOOD PROBLEMS.
SHALL WE PLANT THE SEEDS?
BUT IN THE BARREN EARTH, THERE WERE FEW CROPS.
The seeds...they all withered
THAT'S TRUE.
IT WOULD BE GOOD IF WE COULD GIVE THE EARTH ENOUGH FERTILIZER BUT...
SWIFTLY
Ah!

Father, what is the thing you want the most right now?
!!
I NEED NEW SEEDLINGS AND A HOE.
There are so many things that we are missing.
IT FELL OFF AGAIN.
EVEN THE IRON IS WORN-OUT...

HE HAD SUCH LONELY EYES, FATHER...

The 9th day since the departure.
BANG
HUH? YOU HAVE ARRIVED SOONER THAN PLANNED
briskly
UNEXPECTEDLY, THE RECONNAISSANCE WENT SMOOTHER THAN EXPECTED
JUST LIKE PRINCESS LILIA, YOU FELT LONELY.
.....
AS NEWLYWED, TO NEGLECT YOUR WIFE SO
IT IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME UNTIL SHE WILL GET TIRED OF THIS, RIGHT?
GAHH!

SILENCE
THERE'S NO TIME TO WORRY ABOUT IT!
The day is going to end then!
.....
HOW ABOUT YOU AND THE PRINCESS GO FOR A WALK?
THERE'S STILL HALF OF THE DAY LEFT.
silence...
No answer...
knock
knock
To put up such a fighting spirit...
RAPIDLY!
YOU HAVEN'T ASKED A GIRL OUT BEFORE, HAVE YOU?
so pitiful

stare
sigh
close
open

breathes out...
A LETTER...?
To my beloved Theo

TO MY BELOVED THEO...
bang
The best part is the never ending field
I'm sure that the climate and the soil are better so that they can harvest better produces.
turns around
pulls
This country's agriculture is really prosperous.
I WOULD LIKE TO SHOW THIS TO YOU TOO.
TO SHOW YOU SUCH A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY...
...WITH LOTS OF LOVE, LILIA.

I'M HAPPY
Tap tap
I'M SO HAPPY!
I can finally meet him!
Yes!
I THOUGHT THAT YOU KNEW ABOUT THIS
Huh?
DASH
I'm going!
Night time
Eh?
His Highness is back?
knock knock
Your Highness, it's Lilia!
Aa!
PRINCESS LILIA!
Rana
Rana
noise noise
Giggle~
Don't worry! I will not enter against his will!
The two of you will get scolded again!

Welcome back!
If you would like, could we have dinner together?
?
silence...
Did he go to sleep already—?
Open
AA! HE JUST CALLED ME SO I'M GOING IN
Eh?
Through telepathy
Telepthy, that's nice.
close
PRINCESS LILIA, THIS IS FROM HIS MAJESTY

I'm tired so please leave me alone.
AH...
I am sorry ...
I am sorry, Your Highness.
WANTING TO SEE EACH OTHER AND BEING LONELY WAS ONLY ME.
I AM SURE HIS HIGHNESS IS TIRED OF SUCH A WILLFUL GIRL LIKE ME.

The next day
YOUR HIGHNESS, WHERE ARE YOU GOING SO EARLY IN THE MORNING?
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
.....
In any case it must be about Princess Lilia
SOMETHING DID HAPPEN...
THEIR FEELINGS ARE THE SAME
YET WHY ARE THEY SO FAR APART...

clatter
clatter
clatter
HUMANS ARE SUCH TROUBLESOME BEINGS
YOU GUYS,
IF YOU HAD SOMEONE YOU LOVED WHAT WOULD YOU DO?
EH?
WE DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY CONTACT WITH GIRLS
FOR US TO HAVE A PERSON TO LOVE, IT'S FOOLISH
nervous
nervous
even if it's a person I like I haven't
nervous Dating someone!? I've never
naive fairies
I... I WONDER... WHAT TO DO?
tch!
YOU'RE NO USE!
SHOCK
IF I WERE TO RETURN HER TO HER COUNTRY,
SHE WOULD BE HAPPY WITH THE ONE SHE LOVES
I AM THE FOOLISH ONE.
sulking...

gives up
Why do these tears keep coming out?
That night
BECAUSE NO MATTER HOW MUCH I MAKE HER CRY, I DON'T WANT TO HAND HER OVER TO ANYONE.
I hate you!
Stupid King! Meanie!
holds tight
I love you...
...That's a lie.
NO MATTER HOW UN-LOVED I AM I WILL NEVER HATE YOU...!
All right! I will no longer cry!!
I will try even harder and become a good wife!!
Just watch me, Your High-ness!!

That reminds me.
I want to take his Highness' head with me to take the bath.
Yes, I'm coming!
knock knock
PRINCESS LILIA, EVERYTHING IS READY FOR YOUR BATH
Tap Tap
Ah!
stops

OPEN
At the same time
irritated
irritated
YOUR HIGHNESS.
WELCOME BACK.
Close
loosen
HE SEEMS TO BE SULKING.
TODAY I'LL JUST GO TO BED
Will you have dinner together?
PRINCESS LILIA IS TAKING HER BATH.
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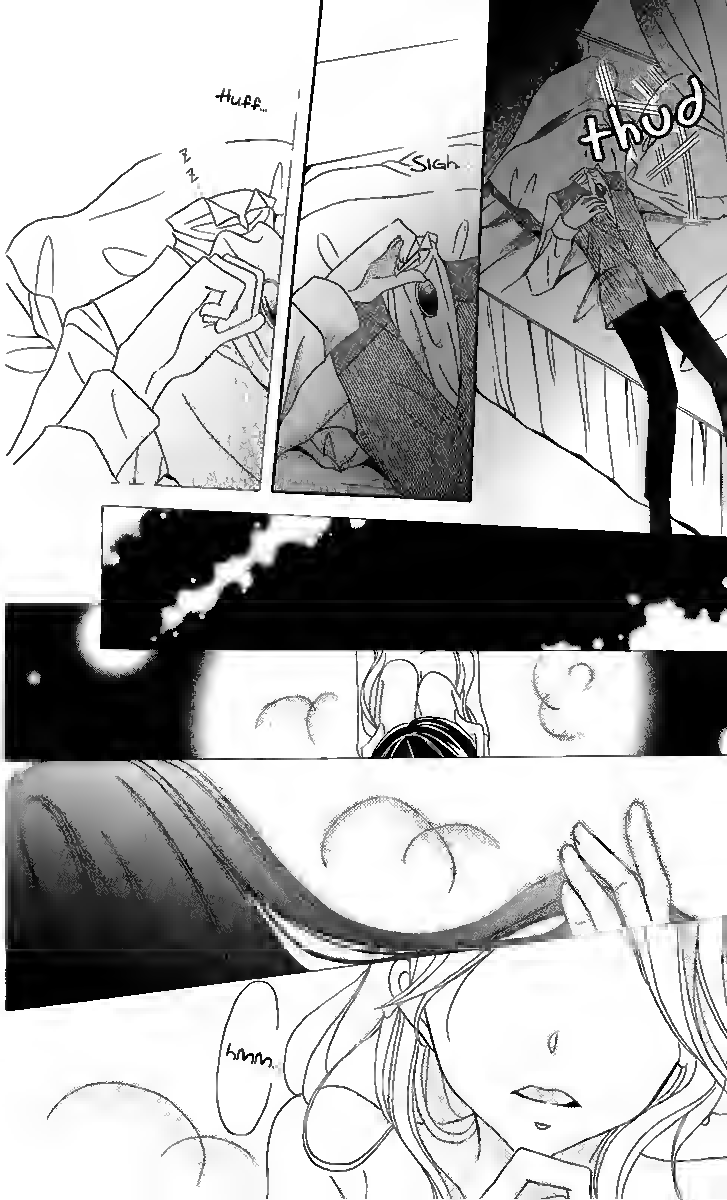
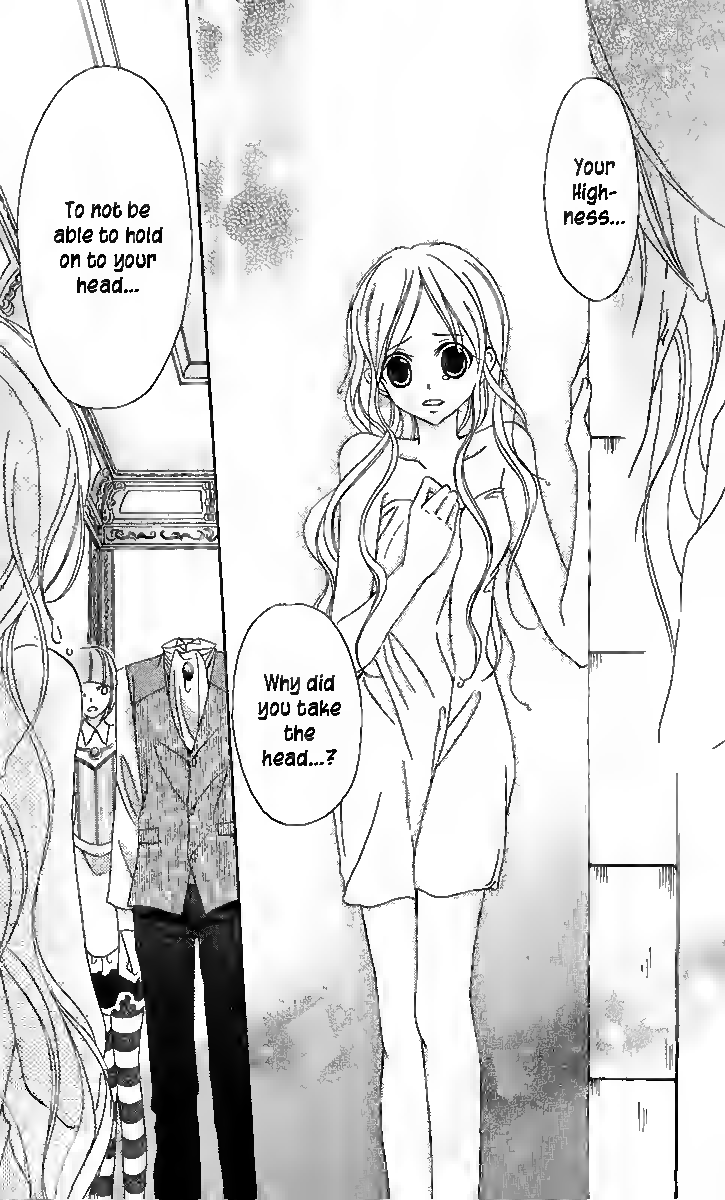

thud
Sigh
huff...
zzz
hmm

What should I do?
Should I put on some Camellia Oil?
SHOCK!

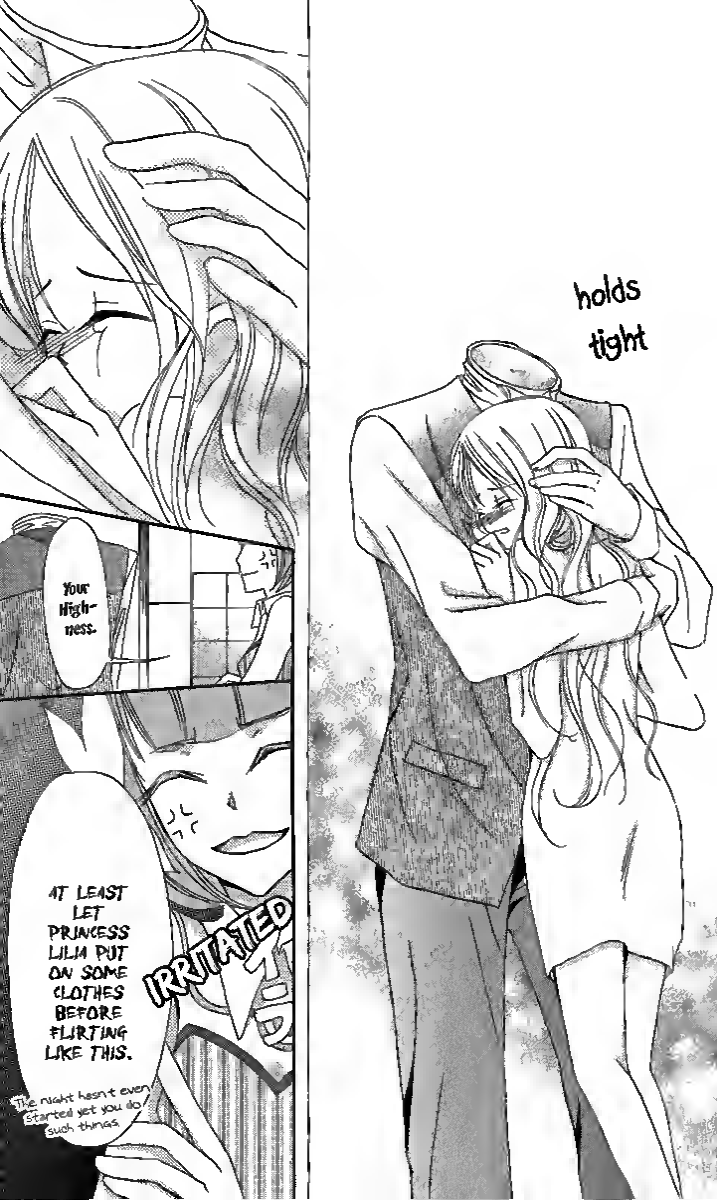
GETS UP
BLUSH.....
deep red
YOUR HIGHNESS, PRINCESS LILIA IS STILL IN THE BATH.
GO RETRIEVE MY HEAD!
RUN RUN RUN
RUN RUN RUN
EH?
HURRY UP!

I...I SAW IT....
Tonight I won't be able to sleep.
head
100m
body
If he enters the 100m range the head connects to his consciousness
gasp
gasp
YES, SIR!!
Eek! He's scary
BANG
Eeep!
Huh? Peridot!
EXCUSE ME!
I SHALL TAKE THE HEAD BACK NOW!!
grass
EH?

...His Highness did.
HIS HIGHNESS TOLD ME TO COME GET IT
swish
Wha-
Why?
HERE YOU GO, YOUR MAJESTY!
PRINCESS LILIA!!
kyaa!
clatter
Didn't you say that having your head on is troublesome?
WHY SUDDENLY TAKE THE HEAD...?
FLIT,
relief
ナツDROPS


Your High-ness...
To not be able to hold on to your head...
Why did you take the head...?

...Do you hate me now?
!....


holds tight
Your Highness.
AT LEAST LET PRINCESS LILIA PUT ON SOME CLOTHES BEFORE FLIRTING LIKE THIS.
IRRITATED
The night hasn't even started yet you do such things

shock
!!
AH
sigh
Really it's mysterious
YOU HAVE LOTS OF THINGS TO TALK ABOUT, RIGHT?
YOU SHOULD GO BACK TO YOUR ROOM.
I WILL BRING YOUR TEA RIGHT AWAY
wipe
wipe
wipe
My head is fine so leave it
...Your Highness

You are not angry anymore?
Eh?
But
.....
.....
I wasn't angry from the start
You have a person you are in love with at home, right?
That Theo I saw your letter

SHOCK
THEO IS MY FATHER.
Your Highness...
That can't be!!
!?
TREMBLING
I'M SORRY!
For creating such confusion...
He made us and all of his servants call him that.
Father said 'Now I am just the Farmer Theo'.
When he was lovingly working the field,
.....

I must be strange. For someone to write to a person...
who is already dead..
...
He was a good King, wasn't he
No, he was a bad king.
He was a really kind man.
But one would always be tricked, but...
I really loved him.
EVERY TIME I THINK OF HIM I REMEMBER HIS SAD EYES...
Father, what is the thing you want the most now?

WHAT I WANT IS
THE POWER TO PROTECT ALL OF YOU.
SUCH AN ORDINARY MAN LIKE ME,
WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER OFF BORN AS A PEASANT.
AN INCOMPETENT KING WOULD ONLY KILL HIS PEOPLE.
. . .LILIA, YOU MUST NOT MARRY A MAN SUCH AS ME.

Why? Father is really kind!!
LILIA, TRUE KINDNESS LIES IN POWER.
.....
OF COURSE, THOSE THAT USE POWER TO DESTROY ARE WEAK PEOPLE.
BUT, IF THERE IS SOMEONE WHO USES THAT POWER 'TO PROTECT'
FATHER, JUST LIKE YOU SAID
THAT PERSON IS, MORE THAN ANYONE...
I HAVE FOUND THAT PERSON.
Father was rather worried about my marriage.
That's why I wanted to tell him...

That I am married
to the strongest and kindest person.
!!!

IS THAT I WANTED FROM ALL MY HEART
touch
THE REASON I DECIDED TO MARRY YOU...
TO MAKE YOU HAPPY.

YET, I CAN ONLY BE A BAD HUSBAND...
I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY SUCH THINGS...
That's not...
Ah!
By the way,
Why were you in my room?
It's really strange...
ACTU-ALLY
YESTERDAY, I WANTED TO INVITE YOU OUT FOR A WALK.

Real-lly!
That's so mean of you!
I wanted to go out with you too!!
I'm sorry
depressed
Yyy/c
Haha...
Please ask me out again.
Let's go out on a picnic.
UNDER THE BROAD SKY,

END OF CHAPTER 2.